

SPEAKER NICHOL: The rules are suspended. Now the next vote will be on the adoption of the rule that you have on your desk. Is there any further discussion about the rule that we are going to be voting on? There is no hearing. The question is the adoption . . Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, just one comment. I know we are off of the judges' salary bill, but after hearing the lawyers argue this, I think I'm going to withdraw all my complaints about increasing the judges' salary. I don't think they get enough, if they have to listen to that all of the time.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the rules change. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. It takes 30 votes. Have you all voted that wish to? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 7 nays on the adoption of the proposed Rules Change, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The Rules Change is adopted. We are back on 269. Do you have any motions, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have on the bill is by Senator Higgins. Senator Higgins would move to return the bill for a specific amendment, the amendment being to strike the enacting clause.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, I will withdraw that motion now.

SPEAKER NICHOL: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have is by Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is a motion to suspend the rules and vote on this without further amendments and without any reconsideration motions. I would urge you to adopt it. The issue has been debated extensively already. We have adopted a Rules Change which meets Senator Chambers' concern, I don't know what else could be left to talk about. I would say that it is a reasonable bill. I hope we could get a vote on the merits one way or the other this afternoon.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp.